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Adam Hawk, a senior at Carbondale Community High School, jumps from the deck of the student center Monday afternoon. Hawk practices tricks and jumps in urban environments as part of the activity known as parkour, a method of negotiating urban obstacles. It is similar to martial arts in its level of technicality.

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Banished professor was to be reinstated before he died

Chancellor says sexual harassment investigation followed due process

Sean McGahan
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Interim Chancellor Sam Goldman said Tuesday he was about to reinstate one of the university's most recognized figures and resolve the sexual harassment allegations against him when the professor died.

Goldman said he wished the allegations against history professor John Y. Simon, who died July 8, had never become public. Instead, the professor's banishment from campus in December came to light, leading the president of a nationally renowned historical institute to say he will fight to move it out of SIUC.

"Some people went public when they shouldn't have. It's kind of holier-than-thou — 'the world has a right to know.' No they don't. Not on situations like that," Goldman said.

Simon taught at SIUC for 44 years and made it the home of the Ulysses S. Grant Association, a historical institute that housed Simon's acclaimed "The Papers of Ulysses S. Grant" and other works. Frank Williams, president of the association, vowed Sunday to move the

association to another university because of the way Simon was treated.

Simon was accused of sexual harassment and kicked off campus in December. When he died, he did not know the specifics of the allegations against him, the former leader of the faculty union that represented Simon has said.

Williams said the university did not follow due process in its investigation of the allegations.

Goldman said Williams' assessment was not true.

"(Williams) went after us on due process. He was wrong. We do follow due process," Goldman said.

"What he did was he picked up various stages of the process," he continued. "What is important is how it was going to end, not what was going on during the discussions, and he never mentioned that. It was not going the way he portrayed it."

Goldman said privacy laws prevent him from talking publicly about the specifics of the case, but he would have explained them to Williams in a meeting. He said Williams has not responded to his request to meet.

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We plead guilty. It's taking too long. ... We've got to get out with it.

—Interim Chancellor Sam Goldman on changes to the sexual harassment policy

SIUC Police: It's ticket time

Students say new step to obtain parking decals makes process more confusing

Jeff Engelhardt
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Green slips tucked under windshield wipers could start causing students to slip some green of their own to the parking division.

SIUC Police Chief Todd Sigler said university police started issuing warning tickets on the first day of school, but more citations will be given as school continues. Each citation costs the violator \$35.

Sigler said the police had not set an exact date to start issuing tickets because people could take advantage of the warnings. Students who bought parking decals last year will be safe in the designated areas until Sept. 30, when last year's decals expire.

"We just hope that the warnings we issue will let people police themselves," Sigler said. "We understand people have to get used to parking on campus again, but after a warning, people should realize where they need to go."

Because the parking division is not state-funded, Sigler said the revenue from parking decals and citations go toward road maintenance, snow removal and lighting in the parking lots. During fiscal year 2008, the parking division made \$664,016 from the sale of decals and \$732,825 from citations, according to parking division records.

Sigler said the revamped process to obtain a decal has caused some confusion this year.

Students must now fill out an online form before they can purchase a decal. The form, which can be found at <http://www.dps.siu.edu>, does not work

on Macintosh computers. Students must create an account before they can fill out the form.

Many who did not know about the extra step have been turned away from the parking division where decals are purchased, some after waiting in line for hours, said Monea Monda, a freshman from St. Louis studying pre-physical therapy who works for the parking division.

Monda said the online process has not cut down the lines outside Washington Square.

"The longest wait I've seen was a two-hour line," Monda said. "I do my best to get out here and check to make sure people have everything they need so they don't have to wait for anything."

Monda said the process took even longer in the beginning. She said students would form a line half an hour before the office opens at 7:30 a.m., but still usually experience a 45-minute wait.

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How to get a parking decal

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SIUC gets new dean of students

Jeff Engelhardt
DAILY EGYPTIAN

When Peter Gitau moves into his office Tuesday, SIUC will have a dean of students for the first time since 2003.

Gitau signed a contract last week to serve as an associate vice chancellor for student affairs. Larry Dietz, vice chancellor for student affairs, will delegate some of his responsibilities to Gitau.

The decision is pending Board of Trustees approval.

Student Development, Career Services, Judicial Affairs, Rainbow's End, Disability Support Services and Student Legal Counsel are the offices that will now report to Gitau instead of Dietz.

Dietz said it was Gitau's experience that gave him the edge.

"He had supervised the widest range of departments of all the candidates," Dietz said. "He's worked with First-Year Experience programs before, and was an international student himself, so he should relate well to our international students."

Gitau, who served as dean of student life at University of Dubuque in Iowa since 2006, beat three other finalists for the position.

Gitau said he was interested in the position for a mix of personal preferences and professional challenges.

"The weather is much warmer down there compared to Iowa," said Gitau, laughing. "But there are challenges at the university that I am excited to work on, especially with the students."

While at University of Dubuque,

Gitau worked on projects that are currently issues at SIUC, including the revision of a student conduct code and a campus-wide early alert retention program.

Gitau said he is excited to move from a small private school to a large public university.

Though he has only visited the campus once, Gitau said he has been impressed with what he has seen and read about SIUC students.

"It seems like the students here really care about local and national issues, which is very exciting for me," he said.

Gitau has interacted with students in the past by taking them on trips to Africa to work in the school systems of developing communities. He is the founder of a not-for-profit organization called Teach My Kenyan Children that focuses on improving educational opportunities for children in the country.

Carla Coppi, associate director for International Students and Scholars, said Gitau was an exciting selection for the whole international community on campus. Though her office does not directly report to Gitau, she said his genuine concern for all students is refreshing.

She said having a former international student in an administrative position is great for the university.

"In his presentation, it was obvious he has a passion for international students and it comes at a very important time where it is crucial to have a diverse staff," Coppi said. "This has to inspire international students. It sends a great message."



Peter Gitau

Health care officials warn against increasing West Nile threat

Officials: August and September are peak times for the virus

Madeleine Leroux
DAILY EGYPTIAN

As the peak risk period for West Nile virus approaches, Illinois health officials are urging prevention and precaution.

The virus, which infected 101 people and killed four in Illinois last year, was spotted in a batch of mosquitoes collected in Jackson County in June. Though mosquitoes collected almost weekly since that time have not tested positive for the virus, the threat is still present, said Kevin Gillespie, director of Environmental Health for the Jackson County Health Department.

"We know West Nile virus historically has been in our area, and we're still urging people to take precautions and avoid mosquito bites," Gillespie said.

Late August and September are peak times for the disease, he said. A Montgomery County

woman was the first in central Illinois to contract the virus this year, health care officials reported last week.

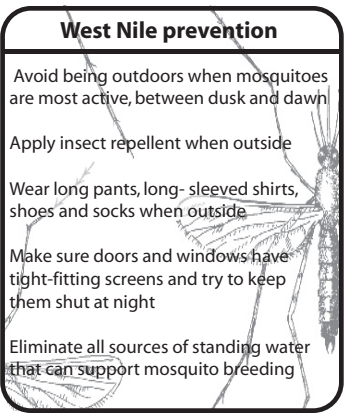
One way to prevent West Nile is to kill the mosquitoes that could carry it, Gillespie said. Trucks spray a chemical called permethrin to eliminate the threat by lessening the number of mosquitoes.

Most of the city of Carbondale is included in the Carbondale Mosquito Abatement District. Its manager, Bill Kelley, called the chemical "extremely safe." He said people who are outside when the spraying begins should not be bothered by it.

He said the district did not have a set schedule for when it sprays.

According to the Environmental Protection Agency Web site, permethrin is the most widely used pesticide on adult mosquitoes in the United States because of low cost, high efficiency and low incidence of pest resistance.

Kelley said the Carbondale district does not post signs or any notifications before spraying, but staff members call a list of people



Source: Illinois Dept. of Public Health
Pablo Tobon ~ Daily Egyptian

to notify them in advance. The list only includes those who have an allergy or medical condition that would make them allergic to permethrin, he said.

"We try to restrict it," Kelley said. "Otherwise calling 20,000 people would be quite time-consuming and impossible."

William Goetsch, bureau chief of environmental programs at the Illinois Department of Agriculture, said there are no regulations or ordinances requiring notification before spraying permethrin. There could be local ordinances, Goetsch said, but the state has no requirements.

Madeleine Leroux can be reached at 536-3311 ext. 274 or mleroux@siu.edu.

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Russia recognizes independence of Georgian regions

Douglas Birch
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

MOSCOW — Russia stunned the West on Tuesday by recognizing the independence claims of two Georgian breakaway regions, and U.S. warships plied the waters off of Georgia in a gambit the Kremlin saw as gunboat diplomacy.

The announcement by Russian President Dmitry Medvedev ignored the strong opposition of

Europe and the United States, and signaled the Kremlin's determination to shape its neighbors' destinies even at the risk of closing its doors to the West.

"We are not afraid of anything, including the prospect of a Cold War," President Dmitry Medvedev said hours after announcing the Kremlin's decision and one day after Parliament had supported the recognition.

While the risk of a military clash with the West seemed remote, the

lack of high-level public diplomacy between the White House and the Kremlin added to an uneasy sense here at least of an escalating crisis.

Medvedev also promised a Russian military response to a U.S. missile defense system in Europe. Washington says the system would counter threats from Iran and North Korea, but Russia says it is aimed at blunting Russian nuclear capability.

The Kremlin's recognition of the breakaway regions of South

Ossetia and Abkhazia suggested it was willing to risk nearly two decades of economic, political and diplomatic bonds with its Cold War antagonists.

Medvedev's grim announcement, carried on national television, inspired jubilation on the streets of the rebel capitals. In the South Ossetian capital of Tskhinvali, a parade of cars bearing the South Ossetian and Russian flags blared their horns, women cried for joy and gunmen fired their weapons

in the air.

The United States, surprised by the speed of the Russian response, threatened a veto in the U.N. Security Council should Russia ask for international recognition for the territories.

"Abkhazia and South Ossetia are a part of the internationally recognized borders of Georgia and it's going to remain so," Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice said. President Bush called the Russian move "irresponsible."

Dems rip into McCain at Obama's convention

David Espo
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

DENVER — Democrats ripped into John McCain as indifferent to the plight of the working class and an ally of big oil on Tuesday, launching wave after wave of attacks from the podium of their national convention.

"If he's the answer, then the question must be ridiculous," New York Gov. David Paterson said of the Republican presidential candidate.

By contrast, said party elder Ted Sorensen, "we have the man we need at last to embrace the future, not the past, and to dispel eight years of pain and shame. Barack Obama is his name. Call the roll!"

Not yet.

Obama's formal nomination was set for Wednesday night. First came Hillary Rodham Clinton, his tenacious rival in a riveting battle for the nomination, who was closing out her own history-making quest for the White House.

Despite lingering unhappiness among some delegates nursing grievances over Clinton's loss, party chairman Howard Dean declared the convention determined to make Obama the nation's

first black president. "There is not a unity problem. If anyone doubts that, wait till you see Hillary Clinton's speech," he said.

Former Virginia Gov. Mark Warner was tapped to deliver the keynote address on the convention's second night. It was the same assignment that Obama — then an Illinois state lawmaker running for the Senate — used four years ago to launch his astonishing ascent in national politics.

Obama campaigned in Missouri as he slowly made his way toward the convention city. Speaking to airline workers in a giant hangar, he accused the Bush administration of failing to enforce health and safety laws and said McCain "doesn't get it" when it comes to the concerns of blue collar workers.

There was more of the same — much more — as a parade of speakers criticized McCain at the convention several hundred miles away.

Cecile Richards, president of the Planned Parenthood Federation of America, said the Republican has voted against real sex education and voted against affordable family planning.



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Rep. Dennis Kucinich (D-Ohio) gives an animated speech at the Democratic National Convention in Denver Tuesday. Media have already dubbed it the "Wake Up, America" speech.

SAT scores stay at lowest level in nearly a decade

Alan Scher Zagier
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

COLUMBIA, Mo. — For a second straight year, SAT scores for the most recent high school graduating class remained at the lowest level in nearly a decade, a trend attributed to a record number of students now taking the test.

The 1.52 million students who took the test is a slight increase from last year but a jump of nearly 30 percent over the past decade. Minority students accounted for 40 percent of test-takers, and 36 percent were the first in their families to attend college. Nearly one in seven had a low enough family income to take the test for free.

"More than ever, the SAT reflects the face of education in this country," said Gaston Caperton, president of the College Board, which owns the test and released the results Tuesday.

The class of 2008 scored an average of 515 out of a possible 800 points on the math section of the

college entrance exam, a performance identical to graduating seniors in the previous year.

Scores in the critical reading component among last spring's high school seniors also held steady at 502, but the decline over time has been more dramatic: the past two years represent the lowest reading average since 1994, when graduating seniors scored 499.

By comparison, the highest average reading score in recent decades was 530 by the class of 1972, although that score dropped dramatically within five years to near present levels. The latest math average is just five points below the 35-year high of 520, reached three years ago.

Those historical highs are tempered by the test's more selective reach a generation ago, said Jim Hull, a policy analyst for the Center for Public Education, which is affiliated with the National School Boards Association.

"You only had the best of the best taking the test," he said. "The SAT

has become far more inclusive."

Average scores also remained constant on the writing portion of the SAT, which was added to the entrance exam in 2006. For the second year in a row, the average score was 494 — a three-point drop from its debut year.

The writing test is still a work in progress, with many colleges waiting for several years of data before factoring that portion into admissions decisions.

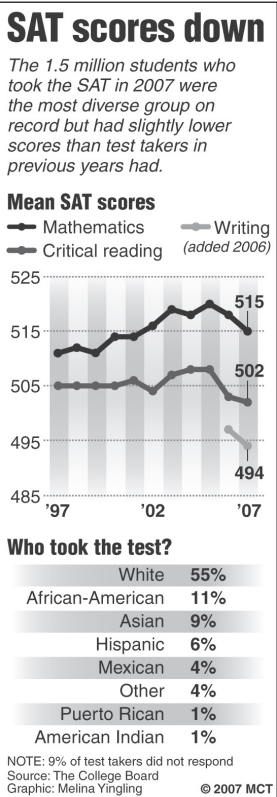
But the College Board released data Tuesday suggesting that scores on the newest portion of the exam are the most accurate gauge of first-year success in college. Studies by the University of Georgia and the University of California support the group's findings, it reported.

Males on average scored four points higher than females on the

reading section (504 vs. 500) and 33 points higher on the math test (533 vs. 500), but females on average outscored their counterparts on the writing test, 501 to 488.

Average ACT scores released earlier this month showed a slight decrease, for the class of 2008 — 21.1 compared to 21.2 a year ago, on a scale of 1 to 36. With 1.42 million test-takers, the rival exam still lags behind the more-entrenched SAT, but is growing at a faster rate.

That trend is only likely to continue, said SAT critic Bob Schaeffer of the National Center for Fair and Open Testing, who called the new three-part SAT a "flop." Nearly 800 colleges now consider the SAT an optional test for admissions, according to the group.



GEORGIA

FAA: Communication failure at facility

ATLANTA (AP) — An electronic communication failure Tuesday at a Federal Aviation Administration facility in Georgia that processes flight plans for the eastern half of the United States was causing hundreds of flight delays around the country.

An FAA Web site that tracks airport status showed delays at some three dozen major airports across the country. The site advised passengers to "check your departure airport to see if your flight may be affected."

HAITI

Hurricane strikes southern coast

PORT-AU-PRINCE (AP) — Hurricane Gustav dumped torrential rains across southern Haiti on Tuesday, killing at least one man and threatening crops amid protests over high food prices. Global fuel futures soared on fears Gustav could move into the Gulf of Mexico as an "extremely dangerous" storm.

Trees toppled as the storm lingered for hours over Haiti's poor, deforested southern peninsula.

NEW YORK

Consumer confidence rises as gas prices fall

NEW YORK (AP) — Americans felt better about the economy in August, as a widely-watched barometer of sentiment posted the biggest boost in two years amid falling gas prices. Meanwhile, two reports suggested that the worst may be over for the slumping housing market.

The Conference Board, a private research group, said Tuesday that its consumer confidence index rose to 56.9.

CALIFORNIA

Jury awards Mattel \$40 million in copyright case

RIVERSIDE (AP) — A federal jury awarded Mattel Inc. \$40 million in damages Tuesday in a federal copyright lawsuit that pitted the house of Barbie against MGA Entertainment Inc., the maker of the saucy Bratz dolls.

Damages were awarded for contract interference and copyright infringement. No punitive damages were ordered against MGA.

WASHINGTON

Government programs insure more people

WASHINGTON (AP) — The number of people without health insurance fell by more than 1 million in 2007, the first annual decline since the Bush administration took office, the Census Bureau reported Tuesday. Incomes edged up for the middle class while poverty held steady.

The numbers represent a scorecard on President Bush's stewardship of the economy at the kitchen-table level.

Reserve at Saluki Pointe stirs south side business

Businesses report increased sales

Justin Lange
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Businesses on the south side of campus have seen an upturn in sales since the Reserve at Saluki Pointe opened this month.

Several gas stations and a local grocery store, all located within walking distance of the Reserve, have reported increased sales in the past two weeks.

Gas stations such as Huck's Now have seen the biggest increase in sales since the Reserve opened. Huck's, located down the road from the Reserve, has seen its sales increase 10 to 15 percent, said manager Kim Miller. She said some of the increased business is the discounts and promotions they provide students and staff from SIUC. The station offers students and university staff members a 3-cent discount per gallon of gas. Welcome flyers were also distributed throughout the apartment complex, she said.

"We get quite a few (residents) that walk over here ... getting essentials they would normally get at Wal-Mart," Miller said.

Christopher James, a cashier at the nearby Citgo station, said business is booming. Many of customers walk from the Reserve to buy cigarettes and grape-flavored cigarillos, James said.

"I've been here for the past two years and this is the busiest we've ever been," James said. "In the past two weeks, business has gone up tenfold."

Arnold's Market, a nearby grocery store, has not seen a substantial increase in sales from this time last year, said manager Elizabeth Bobis. Business has picked up a little, but it is always higher when

students return, Bobis said.

Residents of the Reserve are enjoying the benefits of businesses in close proximity. Andrew Spears, a junior from Olney studying automotive technology, said he frequently travels to the gas stations across the road. Spears said he likes not having to drive across town for his gas. Though he's only been to Arnold's Market once, Spears said he plans to shop there often.

Michael Wachtel, a sophomore from Pittsfield studying architecture, said he has been shopping at Arnold's since last year, when he lived in Thompson Point. Now that he's closer, he likes the convenience.

"I went there last year because I didn't want to deal with Wal-Mart," Wachtel said.

Wachtel said he also uses the south side gas stations. He said he travels to them three to four times a week for gas and cigarettes.

Other residents have not changed their shopping habits. Amanda Shepherd, a senior from Galesburg studying math, said she still travels to Wal-Mart for most of her shopping. While she said she did not mind the drive, Shepherd said she would like to see other establishments move to the south side of town.

"It would be nice if some restaurants moved in. There aren't many places to eat on this side of town," she said.

Bob Hetherington, spokesman for the Reserve at Saluki Pointe, said his company is glad to help Carbondale businesses.

"We're pleased the Reserve at Saluki Pointe and its residents are making a meaningful contribution to business success and economic vitality in the Carbondale area," Hetherington said.

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Nikki Bilderback, the assistant manager of the Citgo on U.S. Route 51 hands change to a customer Tuesday. The Citgo has reported profit increase since the opening of the Reserve at Saluki Pointe.
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OUR WORD

Eenie-meenie-miny ... no.

Once again, SIUC has showed its brilliant ability to make decisions without first fostering discussion, canvassing how the entire campus feels about the issue, and doing a little thing called research.

When a coalition of colleges that wants to foster discussion about lowering the drinking age approaches SIUC, it answers with a less-than-surprising, knee-jerk “no.”

Maybe this will be as successful as the last chancellor search, in which the search firm that cost \$150,000 didn’t even research the candidate’s legal standing until the candidate was chosen as the university’s final pick.

Or as well supported as Saluki Way, which is still millions of dollars short of being funded and doesn’t look like it’s going to get more funding any time soon.

The DAILY EGYPTIAN is not saying it thinks the age should be lowered. Frankly, we’re not sure what would happen if the age were lowered, but with prestigious universities such as Duke and Johns Hopkins saying it’s something to look into makes us think, well ... maybe it would be worth looking into.

Maybe the university should dig up Southern at 150 — the university’s plan to become a top 75 research institution by its 150th anniversary in 2010 —and find out how this would affect Carbondale and the sur-

rounding areas. Then they could make an informed decision, or at least one that is informed by more than President Glenn Poshard’s political views.

Now that the semester is in full swing, we’re asking the university to please do its homework.

As for Poshard’s defense that the “consequences of underage drinking are simply too significant to ignore,” if the drinking age were changed, the 18-, 19- and 20-year-olds Carbondale focuses so much effort on wouldn’t be drinking underage. The DAILY EGYPTIAN won-

ders if lowering the age might eliminate part of the problem: arrests for underage drinking.

Would teenage drinking then cease to be a problem?

Probably not.

It might give police and wellness workers more time to focus on problems such as addiction and overuse, and less time worrying about 18-year-olds who just want to have a beer.

Or maybe it would cause more people to overuse alcohol and cause more accidents, deaths and damage.

The DAILY EGYPTIAN has full faith that all the information needed to make a good prediction of the outcome is out there — information such as studies on the excessive use of alcohol, underage drinking records and statistics about drunk driving.

If it makes him feel better, Poshard could form a blue ribbon committee with the task of determining whether lowering the drinking age would benefit or destroy Carbondale.

Hopefully his committee would turn to SIUC’s Core Institute for Alcohol and Other Drug Studies — a leading research organization that examines alcohol and drug trends from 53 colleges across the United States. The information they collect is used in alcohol and drug prevention programs across the nation.



Lydia Bargielski ~ DAILY EGYPTIAN

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Even in the age of MP3s and the all-powerful iPod, I still find myself in an ever-shrinking minority that enjoy the daily crackling of the AM waves of National Public Radio. Yes, I am the person that enjoys hearing these obscure shows that, frankly, you will not find on any other medium.

It is both the large and small intricacies of NPR that, for me, make it a constant go to on the dial. One of its greatest assets is the huge difference in what determines what

leads its newscast. The old saying of “if it bleeds, it leads” isn’t a factor in determining the most important and pressing story, even if that story is occurring halfway around the world. NPR can even come into your neighborhood to find a story. “Morning Edition,” a morning drive news show, featured our little town of Carbondale on its May 29 show. It goes to show you that NPR will go anywhere in the world to cover a story.

While some people may raise their eyebrows and view this as a giant plug for NPR, it is more of a push for awareness. Realize that there is someone in another part of this country reading the daily campus newspaper and trying to stay awake in his or her 9 a.m. class.

While we stifle over our own country’s

energy crisis, would you ever know or think twice about the oil-run energy crisis in Mexico? A recent report suggests that they could run out of oil in less than a decade. How else would you find out that pirates still roam the ocean waves, and recently have attacked crucial shipping lanes near Somalia?

The ability to be exposed to things and reports that happen across the world are not only great conversation topics, but make us all better at understanding the world we live in. While some here might enjoy a life of ignorant bliss, life might not be as easy a few countries away. In this digital age we live in, focusing on any national or international news source could ultimately be a key to really connecting us all.

Would I say a person that listens to NPR is smarter than your normal CNN or local newscast junkie? No, but I do believe that it is important to expose yourself to news that’s happening around the world rather than just in your own backyard. While knowledge may be power, the ability to try and relate to a story that is larger than you can imagine is a crucial key in educating the masses in the future. NPR brings integral information that can help focus an easily distracted generation.

Take some time to get to know the world, and understand why listening to the news on the radio can take you to places you never knew you could visit.

Rancatore is a senior studying radio-television.

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“ Sometimes dealing with the Clintons is like dealing with Brett Favre. They’re very good players and they’ve got a great record, but sometimes you’re not sure what they really want. ”

Leon Panetta
Bill Clinton’s former chief of staff
comparing the couple to the recently un-retired quarterback

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Sometimes photojournalists
are tourists, too

Photo column by
Brandon Chapple ~ DAILY EGYPTIAN

On a rather odd trip I took this summer, I spent two days with my girlfriend’s family at a wedding in western Illinois. We spent day two exploring Hannibal, Mo., the birthplace of Mark Twain and a rather unexpected tourist trap.

Despite visiting the goofier tourist spots and spending 30 minutes in a fabric shop, thanks to my girlfriend’s mom, I found the trip pretty enjoyable.

Taking time off, whether for two days or two weeks, does not mean photographers put their cameras down. After spending weeks or even months documenting other people’s lives, it is incredibly refreshing to spend a little time documenting our own trips and experiences.

Although our vacation pictures are a little better composed than those found in most moms’ scrapbooks, photographers take pictures of their own lives for the same reason those moms do. We take pictures to remember our experiences.

When I remember this trip, I do not want to think about the wedding, which I found incredibly boring, or my girlfriend’s parents slowing the car down far below the speed limit to admire historic homes. I want to remember buying a riverboat captain’s hat and the absurdity of Mark Twain fried chicken.

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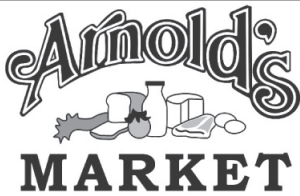


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Freshmen John Kamber from Crystal Lake, left, Jason Schaver from East Dubuque and Michael Jacobson from Dallas enjoy a game of volleyball at the Back to School Bash.

Program aims to keep new students accountable, in class

System changes attendance standards for freshmen

Morgan Hottes
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Academic administrators have taken a lesson on attendance from the athletic department.

After only 70 percent of the freshman class of fall 2006 returned for the fall 2007 school year, administrators are trying to find a way to keep students engaged, said James Allen, director of university core curriculum. Allen took a note from the athletic department and its attendance program designed to keep athletes academically eligible and in class.

Since fall 2006, the athletic department has used GradesFirst, a software program used to track students' progress in their classes. The program gives students access to updated progress reports, tutor requests and class schedules, said Kristina Theriault, assistant athletic director for student services.

Chris Arthurs, starting nose tackle for the SIU football team, said he has used the software since he was a freshman.

"It's a good way to keep track of what you have to do, when you

have to do it and how much time you have to spend doing it. I definitely think it'd be a good thing for anybody and everybody to use," said Arthurs, a junior from Wheaton studying physical education.

Tracking athletes' study habits and class progress before using the GradesFirst software was not nearly as easy, Theriault said. It involved using letters and other paper-based notifications. Allen said he hopes the new system could be used academically across the board.

Last year, English 101 classes used the system to track students' absences and warn students about poor academic standing, Allen said, and the program has now moved to the speech communication classes.

The system is not intended to make students feel as if Big Brother is harassing them, Allen said. It is intended to be a support system for students.

"This tracking system is to provide help to students who may not know they need help," Allen said.

The syllabuses for speech com-

munication 101 classes all have an allowance for three absences for any reason. For each absence afterward, students are docked half a letter grade, said John Warren, associate professor of speech communication.

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Instructors log on to a secure Web site daily to report students who were absent from class. Resident assistants then access the information for their halls and floors. If students have been absent from class more than the allotted three times, the RAs will check on them and see what they may do to help the students.

Jordan Gross, a freshman from Du

Quoin studying psychology, said he has mixed feelings about the system.

"I see what they are trying to do, but then again, some things come up and you need more than three days," Gross said.

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SPC-TV gives students hands-on television experience

Audra Ord
DAILY EGYPTIAN

SIUC provides many outlets for students to gain practical experience in their chosen fields, from agriculture to zoology. The campus boasts many media outlets through which students can get down and dirty in their specialization, from print to broadcast.

One such outlet is SPC-TV, a campus television station that is entirely produced and run by students. SPC-TV airs on channel 24 on the campus network and reaches more than 4,000 students on campus, according to information from the Student Programming Council.

“(When you watch SPC-TV) you get the kind programming you want when you want to watch it,”

said Don Castle, faculty adviser for SPC-TV. “Here’s a real environment for students to create programming and manage programming and get real-life experience.”

SPC-TV, a committee within the Student Programming Council, is a 24-hour-a-day station that airs packaged movies and music videos as well as student-produced programs on a closed circuit that runs only on campus.

“I think that because there are so many people who live off campus, it should be available to the town, because that’s definitely something I’d be interested in watching,” said Janelle Fitts, a junior from O’Fallon studying music education.

Allison Schoenbacher, executive director of SPC-TV, said a benefit of being a closed-circuit station is that the station doesn’t have to meet Federal Communications Commission guidelines, allowing movies to be aired unedited. However, Schoenbacher said the programs generally do follow FCC guidelines.

Castle says he has a great appreciation for the programs aired on channel 24, because he understands the hard work put into producing a television show. The script writing, filming, editing and other processes are aspects of broadcasting that many television viewers take for granted, he said.

“I don’t think (students) think about it,” Castle said. “Generally speaking, most people don’t think about how complicated it is to get a show on TV.”

Schoenbacher, a senior from McHenry studying radio/television,



Student Center Assistant Director, Donald Castle surveys the SPC-TV studio Monday morning. Since programming has gone digital, students have had more time to focus on production.
JULIA RENDLEMAN
DAILY EGYPTIAN

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faculty adviser for SPC-TV

said the student-run station is different from commercial programming because no commercials are aired on SPC-TV, and the campus channel runs student shows.

Though many of the students involved with SPC-TV are studying cinema or television, Schoenbacher said a specialization in media is not necessary to be involved with production.

She said she generally doesn’t turn down show proposals, because she wants to give students a chance to express their views and opinions.

One popular show broadcast from the SPC-TV studio is “Viva la Sex,”

a question-and-answer sex education program that allows students to call in and ask anonymous sex and relationship-related questions.

“It’s a good outlet to actually ask questions without any judgment,” Schoenbacher said. “It allows students to be able to call in and ask anonymously one of your peers and you’ll get an honest answer. I think that’s something students don’t have right now.”

Other popular programs are the music videos and monthly movies, for which SPC-TV has a contract. They can show 15 new releases each month through a programming contract with

Swank.

Nathan Genis, a junior from DeKalb studying criminal justice, said he watched the movies on SPC-TV while he lived on campus.

“People interested see that students are (involved) and get motivation to step up and do the same thing,” Genis said.

He said it’s important for students to get real-life experience in their chosen fields.

SPC-TV holds meetings at 6 p.m. every Monday on the fourth floor of the Student Center. For more information, e-mail Schoenbacher at spctv@spc4fun.com.

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After the success of the High School Musical franchise, there’s no surprise Disney is looking at making a fourth installment. But word on the street has it that teeny-bopper hottie Zac Efron is only on board if there are more than a couple zeros after his name on his check — seven zeros, to be exact. Efron is reportedly demanding \$10 million to do HSM4. Do you think he’s worth it?

Wes Lawson

What in Efron’s long, illustrious career of subpar Disney Channel movies would make anyone think he’s worth this kind of money? Give the \$10 million to kid stars who actually produce quality product, like ... um...

Luke McCormick

He’s totally worth it! Anyone who doesn’t believe so deserves to be punched in the ear. The young man’s work in the fine High School Musical franchise thus far has been some of the most inspired acting of this decade, or any decade for that matter. Why stop at \$10 mil.? He should demand Disney erect a 10-foot gold statue of him in the middle of the Epcot Center or let him thaw out Walt Disney and parade him around on some “Weekend at Bernie’s” ish. EFRON 4 LIFE!

Audra Ord

Yeah, about that... No. Zac(h) Eff(f)ron is not worth \$10 mil. Who does this kid think he is? He spends more time — and money — on his hair for one random paparazzi spotting than I do for an entire month. But maybe for that reason he needs to make bank on another HSM film; how else will he pay for his insane hair and makeup regimen?

Weird news

Stories far too strange for the rest of the paper

Mike Pingree
Boston Herald

IF THIS DOESN'T PROVE MY LOVE, NOTHING WILL:

After being dumped by his live-in girlfriend, a man in Nottinghamshire, England, sought to win her back by paying a friend \$40,000 to kidnap her at knifepoint and take her to a wooded area where the jilted beau would leap out and rescue her. He even bought his pal night vision goggles and a Dalek voice-changer helmet to disguise his voice. The friend went to her home twice but chickened out both times. The plot fell apart, and the ex-boyfriend will be in jail for the next year or so.

OK, CALM DOWN SIR; CAN YOU GIVE US A DESCRIPTION OF THE SLOT MACHINE?

A man called the police emergency number from a Florida casino to report that a slot machine stole his money. Alcohol may have been a factor.

WHACK! SLAM! WHAP! ... OUCH, THAT REALLY HURTS!

After what police called an “ongoing feud,” five women between the ages of 16 and 47 got into a major brawl at a Socus, N.Y., apartment building during which one of the ladies bit another on the breast. They were all arrested for rioting in the second degree.

SO, CAN I EXPECT YOUR CHECK BY THE END OF THE WEEK?

More than a little peeved that his tenants were behind in the rent, a New Castle county, Del., landlord got into his Hummer and crashed it into their residence at 2:30 a.m.

THERE, NOW NOBODY WILL SUSPECT US:

A Lansdale, Pa., couple egged the home of some former friends to get revenge on the people who had done them wrong. To throw police off their track, they also egged other houses - 400 of them over an 18-month period.

WHEEEEE! TOP OF THE WORLD! ... AIEEEEE! CRASH!

A 14-year-old boy did a bit of skateboarding on the roof of his high school gym in Mission Viejo, Calif., thinking it would be safe as long as he stayed away from the edges. However, he failed to account for the glass skylight in the middle, and plunged 40 feet to the floor below. He is OK.

ACTUALLY, YOU LIVE IN THE REGULAR WORLD, COUNSELOR:

After being arrested in an anti-war demonstration at the Port of Tacoma, Wash., an attorney refused to give a cop his ID when asked to do so. His rationale: “I don’t have to show my papers on demand. I don’t live in that kind of world.” The judge did not agree and allowed him to face trial for obstructing a police officer.

HEY, LONG TIME NO SEE:

An old man was arrested for drunk driving in Kullavik, Sweden. The cops cited him, confiscated his license and car keys, and drove him home to Kungsbacka. Once inside, he got his spare key and had a cabbie drive him back to his vehicle. But the cabbie called the cops because the guy was still drunk, and they came and arrested him again.

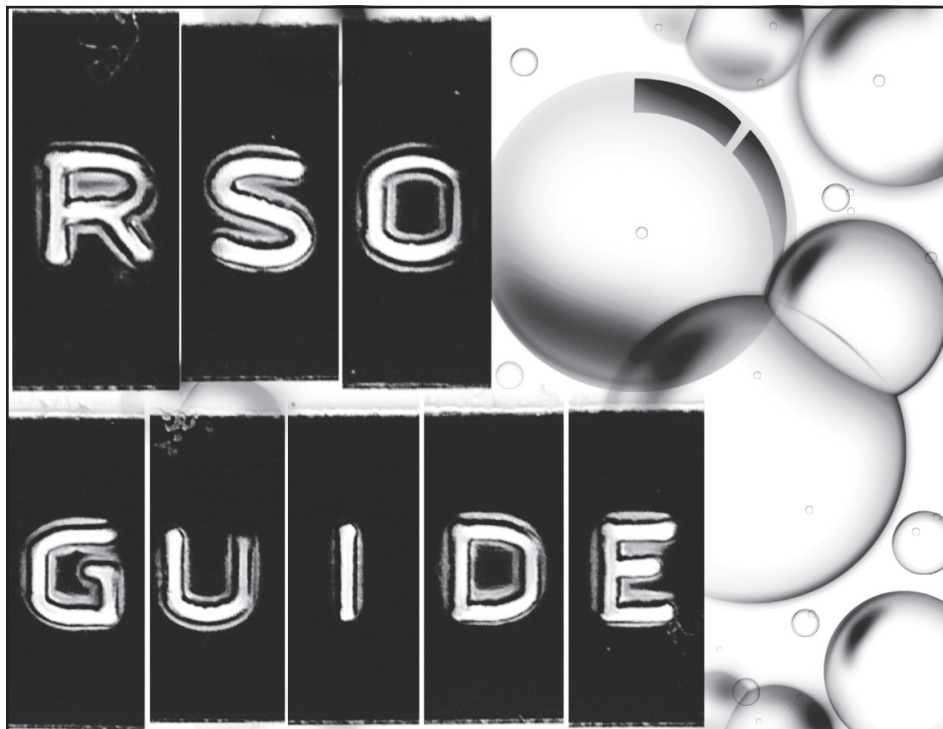



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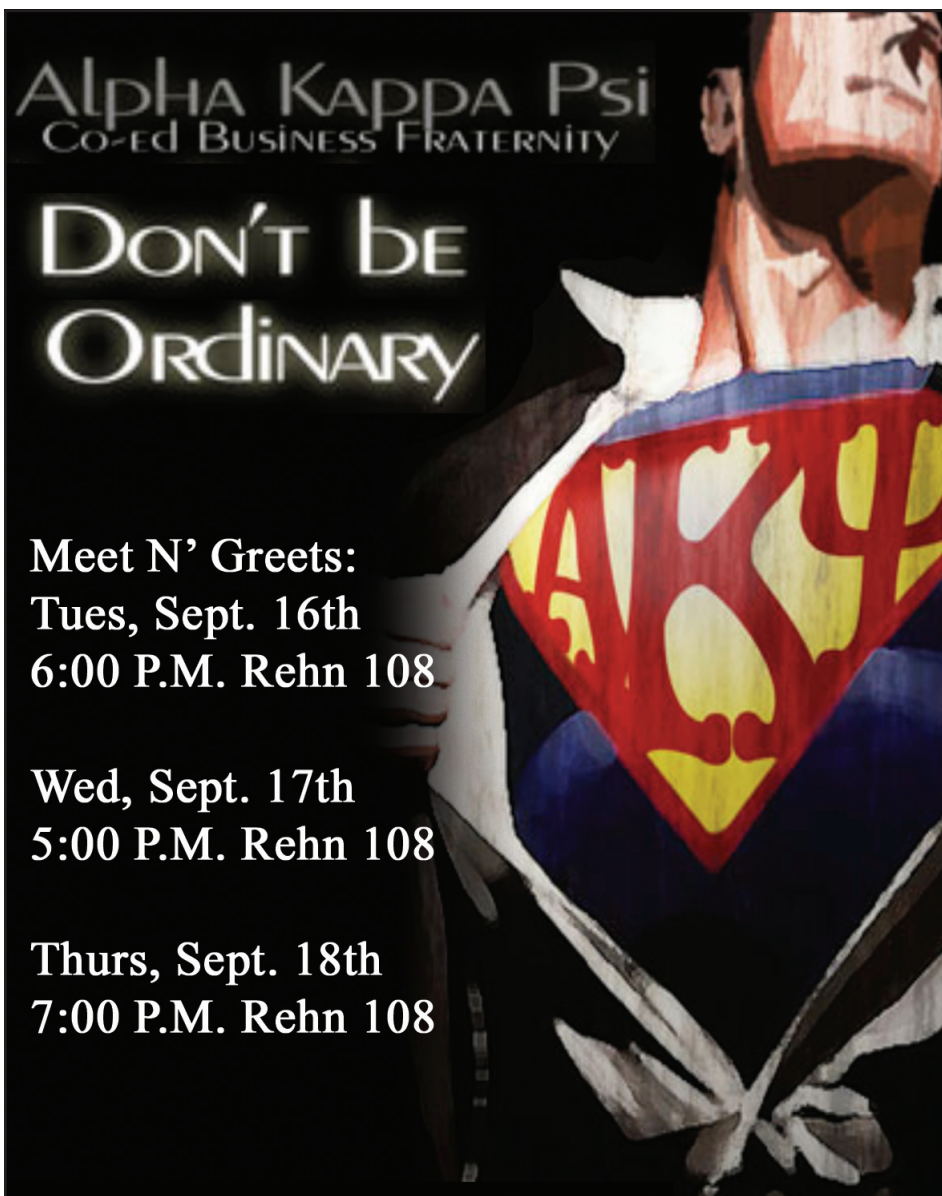


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POLICY

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Williams did not return a call for comment Tuesday.

Shortcomings in the university's sexual harassment policy had been identified in 2005, when former Chancellor Walter Wendler commissioned a panel to make recommendations of changes in the policy. The recommendations were submitted to Wendler in April 2006, but the changes have yet to be enacted.

Goldman, who has been chancellor since April, said administrators have taken too long to change the policy.

"We plead guilty. It's taking too long. There's no doubt it's taking too long. We've got to get out with it," Goldman said.

Recommended changes include more transparency in the investigation for both the accused and the accuser to ensure due process has taken place. Goldman said he has seen the draft of changes but would not comment on what changes were made.

When he was commissioned the panel, Wendler initially gave it a deadline of Feb. 28, 2006, but the final report was not returned until April of that year. In November, Wendler was removed from the chancellor post.

Wendler, now head of the School of Architecture, said he does not know if the fact that he left office affected the progress of the report, but hopes the issue is resolved.

"It's been so long now I can't remember the report, but obviously it's always good to have a clear, direct policy. It's really not my place to comment," Wendler said.

Simon is not the first professor to be removed from campus in the past year because of sexual harassment allegations.

Distinguished professor emeritus Cal Meyers, who runs the SIUC Meyers Institute for Interdisciplinary Research in Organic and Medicinal Chemistry, filed a federal lawsuit Aug. 12 against the university. The lawsuit cites due process violations and a breach of contract for the institute.

Meyers has denied the accusations and said the investigation against him did not follow a fair procedure.

The current sexual harassment policy fails because it does not allow the accused to confront witnesses, cross-examine witnesses or be represented by counsel, said Leonard Gross, an SIU law professor and chairman of the Southern Illinois Chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union.



EDYTA BLASZCZYK ~ DAILY EGYPTIAN

Frank Williams, chief justice of the Rhode Island Supreme Court and president of the Ulysses S. Grant Association, speaks Sunday at a memorial service for the late SIUC Professor John Y. Simon. Williams said the association will look for another university as its host because of the treatment Simon received after allegations of sexual harassment.

"In short, none of the elements of due process are met in this (policy), and this has resulted in this Simon mess, the lawsuit involving Cal Meyers, and other individuals being caught in the mix," Gross said.

The requirements for an effective sexual harassment policy are not hard to meet, Gross said, and there are recommended procedures readily available.

He said he suspects someone is blocking the process, as changes to the policy have not been made in two years.

"In many cases, we've got people who are using sexual harassment as a vehicle to get rid of people they don't want, without giving them any due process at all in hopes that they won't make a stink about it because they don't want to have the publicity engendered by being labeled a sexual harasser," Gross said.

The reason some may suspect the process is faulty is because the specifics of cases and investigations are kept secret to protect both the accused and the accusers, Goldman said.

He said administration has a responsibility to protect accusers from retaliation. As in the case of Simon, the university must also protect those who are accused during investigations, he said.

"You want to accuse me of secrecy? Yes, I'm guilty. But you have to respect a person's reputation. Once it gets out, right or wrong, it's over. There will always be doubt in people's minds about Simon, no matter what," Goldman said.

If retaliation occurs, the accuser should be allowed to make additional charges, Gross said. But he said that is not an excuse to deny due process.

Gross said those who have not been given due process in the past should be reinstated until they get it.

"If people don't get that, they're going to file suit. We'll lose our funding from the Grant Association, and our reputation is going to fall because we're not doing the right thing," Gross said.

Sean McGahan can be reached at 536-3311 ext. 254 or mcgahan@siu.edu.

PARKING

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Brian Mager, administrative assistant for traffic and parking, said in an e-mail that the online process was implemented to speed up the process, but students could take time to adjust to it.

Mager said the parking division is also working on making improvements to the online forms. He said changing the PDF formatted forms into HTML forms would create a more user-friendly experience.

"This action will streamline the registration and submission process for those utilizing Mac computers, and provide better immediate feedback for which data field is missing an entry or incorrectly formatted," Mager said.

Brandon McBride, a senior from Virginia Beach, Va., studying zoology, does not think the online process has made anything easier.

McBride said filling out online forms, getting a receipt, bringing a

DAWG Tag, registration and other documents have made the system more confusing. He also disliked the \$5 price increase for decals this year.

"This is more ridiculous than last year," McBride said. "The lines are longer, and parking is still hard to get unless you have an early or late class."

All student decals now cost \$50, while blue decals for faculty and staff vary in price based on salary.

Sigler said he knows about the lines all too well as his office gives him a perfect view. Since students come to the office with the forms ready, they all have to wait for cashiers, which causes a delay, Sigler said.

Sigler said the students' patience is appreciated.

"We understand students are standing in line for something they don't even want, and we are very thankful for that," Sigler said. "We like to hear their feedback and hopefully improve it for them."

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SIU Police Chief Todd Sigler said while the campus police only issued warnings the first week of school, as the semester continues, violators will receive tickets costing \$35 for each violation.

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COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS

Wide range of fields aims to diversify students

Jana Hughes
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Editor's Note: This is the final installment of an eight-part series detailing the major colleges for undergraduates. Each installment attempted to provide a guide for new students in the college as well as existing students in other colleges.

Inspiration comes in many different shapes and forms. For Claudia Torres-Ambriz, it traveled more than 2,000 miles in the form of a Saluki.

Torres-Ambriz, a second-year graduate student from Oxnard, Calif., studying art, said she came to Carbondale because her undergraduate mentors, graduates of SIUC inspired her to make the cross-country move. They said the SIUC art department would be perfect for her because of the blacksmith program.

"I do a lot of metal work and this is a really good school for that," she said. "Not a lot of universities offer glass making, so it's a really good range of opportunities, like glass, metal work, sculpting, ceramics. They let you express yourself however you need to."

Torres-Ambriz said the College of

Liberal Arts, especially the art department, offers her and other students a wide range of diverse classes.

Alan Vaux, dean of the College of Liberal Arts, said the college is the center of the university because many the college's courses are required as university core requirements.

Students are required to take roughly 30 liberal arts hours, including fine arts, English composition, humanities, integrative studies, social science and speech communication, according to the university core curriculum requirements.

Eunsoon Seo, a senior from South Korea studying art, said a wide range of classes in the college is important to make students well-rounded professionals.

"Good colleges have good diversity, and each professor has something different to teach me," she said.

With almost 3,000 students enrolled and more than 24 majors and 30 minors offered, the college is the largest on campus.

This is the first year the college will offer its students a Living Learning Community, which is located in Schneider Hall. The communities, offered for several colleges across campus, allow students to live in dorms with peers of the same major.

"We're very excited about the Living Learning Community idea," Vaux said. He said the college would see how students respond to the program and hope



JULIA RENDLEMAN ~ DAILY EGYPTIAN.

Second year master of fine arts student and silk screening instructor, Claudia N. Torres-Ambriz of Oxnard, Calif., puts the finishing touches on her metal sculpture Monday.

to expand it in the future.

The college also offers two freshman interest groups to help students make the transition into college life, another program designed to help

with retention, Vaux said.

"People think of themselves as individuals, but depend on other people to help them feel connected," Vaux said.

Vaux said the mission of the

college is to teach students in the appropriate disciplines, foster new knowledge and creative expression, and to serve the communities that support the liberal arts.

COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS BREAKDOWN

Year founded:

Founded as the College of Arts and Sciences in 1943. In 1973, it split into the College of Liberal Arts and College of Science. In 1993, the college absorbed the art and design, music, speech communication and theater programs.

Distinguished Alumni:

Glen Daum has been a composer, arranger and producer in New York and has written music for commercials, television, films and recordings. He also specializes in film and animation assignments, and has won two Emmy Awards for his work on "Sesame Street" Walter C. Rodgers, a well-respected broadcast journalist whose career has lasted

almost 40 years. In London, he covered the war in Afghanistan, the buildup of U.S. military forces in Kuwait and terrorist threats. Rodgers, named to his London post in September 2000, previously served as the CNN bureau chief in Jerusalem and ABC News bureau chief in Moscow. He was a White House Correspondent for Associated Press Radio from 1974 to 1981, covering the Ford, Carter and Reagan Administrations. Rodgers has written a book, "Sleeping with Custer and the 7th Cavalry: An Embedded Reporter in Iraq."

Dean:

Alan Vaux, in post for one year and interim dean for one year before.

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Anthropology, Art and Design, Archeological Investigations, Administrative Justice, Black American Studies, Center for Crime and Delinquency, Center for English as a Second Language, Economics, English, Foreign Languages and Literatures, Geography and Environmental Resources, History, Linguistics, Music, Paralegal Studies, Philosophy, Political Science, Psychology, Sociology, Speech Communication, Theater, University Museum and University Studies.

Donations:

During the Comprehensive Campaign, funds donated to the college equaled more than \$10 million.

Enrollment:

2008-2009: 2795 undergraduates as of Aug. 8
2007-2008: 2,936 undergraduates (1,500 women, 1,512 men)
2006-2007: 2,978 undergraduates (1,537 women, 1,584 men)

Most popular majors:

Art and design, psychology, English and music; all have more than 400 students.

Student comments:

"For art education students, talk to second- and third-year students to find out the papers you will have to write and tests that you will need to take...it's really good thing to get a

heads up," said Kristian Kujawa, a senior from Ashley studying art education.

"The college offers a lot of help with freshmen especially with foreign students," a graduate student from Indonesia studying teaching English to speakers of other languages.

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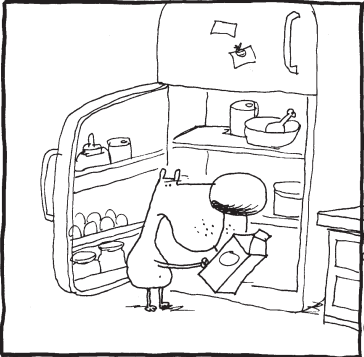
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Today's Birthday — Many of your friends, co-workers and loved ones are helpless at scheduling. You, on the other hand, are great at playing that game. Teach them what you can this year, but be there if they need you.

To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

Aries (March 21-April 19) — **Today is a 5** — You're making progress, though it may seem way too slow. Funny thing is, you cheer right up when friends come by. Schedule fun for Friday.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) — **Today is a 10** — You're an excellent listener, especially now. Do that, and you'll be entrusted with a loved one's secret. You can help, and even heal, simply by being there.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) — **Today is a 5** — Shop carefully so you can get something for everybody. It might not be much, but if it's delicious, it'll be appreciated. Perhaps a little something in chocolate chip?

Cancer (June 22-July 22) — **Today is an 8** — Make plans for a trip or a business expansion. Start by listing all the problems you'll have to overcome. Then, get going. You're hot.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) — **Today is a 6** — Do you really know what you have, and how much it's worth? You may think you do, but think again. Better get another appraisal before you sell.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — **Today is a 9** — Take a leadership position in your community. You're the one with the management skills. And you're well organized. They need you.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — **Today is a 5** — It's a good idea to keep your opinions to yourself. You're not liable to change the other person's mind, or vice versa. Practice your self-discipline; it will serve you well.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — **Today is an 8** — You're incredibly lucky now, if you don't lend money to friends. You've probably already stopped doing that many years ago. If not, stop doing it now.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — **Today is a 5** — You're pretty good with words, when you're in the mood. But avoid going into a rant now, if you possibly can. You're liable to trip over your tongue and hurt yourself.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — **Today is a 9** — Go ahead and delegate, while continuing to pay attention. Let the others get some experience, but be there if anything goes wrong. You're naturally very good at this. It'll be fun.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — **Today is a 5** — Be careful, thorough and even a little bit secretive. You're gathering information, not distributing, remember? Keep your own counsel. Nobody else needs to know.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) — **Today is a 9** — Continue sailing smoothly toward your destination. You're making great progress effortlessly and not all by yourself. Make sure the others know how much you appreciate their assistance.

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1 __ Paulo

4 With 64A, Wild Sioux

9 Golden-touch king

14 Wedding vow

15 Actress Anouk

16 Ill-chosen

17 Screwball pitcher

19 Crime group

20 Bigfoot's shoe size

21 Pic blowup

22 Gabfest

23 Ground-nesting Old World bird

25 Amble

26 Ques. response

27 Of armorial bearings

30 Came up

33 Noah of "E.R."

34 Cosmonaut Gagarin

35 Shown the way

36 Peculiar parodist

39 Hip dude

40 Family men

42 Balin and Claire

43 Hoosegow

45 Conventional

47 Elec. switch in a car

DOWN

1 Back of a tape

2 So long, mon ami

3 Seeps

4 Small, low islet

5 Passengers

6 Improve

7 Fervor

8 Desire

9 Champagne cocktail

10 Without sense

11 Touched toon

12 Samoa's capital

13 Wild guess

18 Greek letters

22 Chick of jazz

24 Over again

25 Card displays

27 Little well-furred rotund mammal

28 "Dies __" (day of wrath)

29 Charlotte or Gary, e.g.

30 Ray of "Battle Cry"

31 Backdoor

32 Kook of Koontz

33 Sots

37 Downy duck

38 Org. of Gulbis and Creamer

41 Movers' partners

44 Beginning

46 End of a threat

47 Restless desires

49 Passover meal

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51 Standing tall

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Down at the fair

RIGHT: Lila and Tom Welch, of Perryville, Mo., make kettle corn at the Du Quoin State Fair Sunday. The Welch's have been cooking on-the-spot kettle corn for 15 years and attend more than 20 events a year, making kettle corn their full-time business and sole source of income.

BELOW: Dakota Mayberry, 15, of Willow Springs, Mo., prepares for the bull riding competition at the Du Quoin State Fair Sunday. Mayberry hopes to stay on the bull's back for at least eight seconds to remain in the running for top bull rider.





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SIU getting the ground game in gear

Warner, White look to ignite the Salukis' ground game

Luis C. Medina
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Despite a change in personnel on the field and sidelines, one constant should remain with the SIU football team: a commitment to the running game.

In the past four years, SIU has produced five 1,000-yard rushers, giving credibility to the nickname SIU has gained, 'Running Back U.'

Four different running backs tallied at least five rushing scores, including Larry Warner, Deji Karim and Richard White, who have each returned in search of more pay dirt.

Head football coach Dale Lennon said having depth in the backfield could be the key to SIU's success this season.

"I think the running back position

is one of our strengths," Lennon said. "You really need three or four quality backs to carry you through the season, and the depth of our backfield will allow us to be in that situation."

The depth at the running back position could wreak havoc for opposing defenses because each back brings a unique set of skills to the game.

White is known for being a down-hill rusher and Warner is expected to be the big-play speed back, while Walker provides speed and power from the running back and fullback positions.

White, who earned the team's Freshman of the Year award, ranked fifth on the team in rushing with 291 yards and third on the team in touchdowns with six last season. He said the skills of the collective backfield put the team in a position

to consistently win games.

"We all have a different style, but we're all striving for the same goal and that's to win a national championship," White said.

Offensive coordinator Phil Longo said the new offense should allow each back to take advantage of their skills while giving each the appropriate amount of touches.

"Any given day, the offense may seem different because we have the ability to cater to the talent of the kids on the field at that particular time," Longo said. "The spread (offense) is just another wrinkle to try to promote the speed of our tailbacks."

That's where Warner steps in.

Warner, who is in his second year with SIU after transferring from Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College last season, served as the primary back-up for the departed John Randle, who gained 1,074 yards on the ground last season with 11 touchdowns.

Warner said he was fully aware of SIU's status as 'Running Back U'



STEPHEN RICKERL ~ DAILY EGYPTIAN

Senior running back Larry Warner dodges a defender during practice Tuesday. Warner is one of several Salukis expected to carry the load in the running game this season.

and learned from his predecessors. He said learning from former Saluki feature backs such as Randle and Arkee Whitlock allowed him to improve his patience, vision and pass blocking skills.

Warner said he expects to take his big play ability to the special teams where he will also serve as one of the

Salukis' return specialists, which is a role he wants to do and expects to do well in because of his skill set.

"When I see a spot, I got to hit it quick because it closes so fast," Warner said. "The hole closes so fast, at my size, I can squeeze through a lot of cracks before the linebackers close out."

CHEERLEADING

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That's not very fun, but it's keeping us safe, and it's keeping the injuries down."

Co-captain Taylor Whitley added

they are not allowed to do some of the things at the college level that they were allowed to do during middle school.

In 1980, 4,954 emergency room visits were reportedly caused by cheerleading accidents. By 2004, the

number increased by nearly 18 percent to 28,414.

Lord believes the numbers in Dr. Mueller's report are somewhat misleading because the number of cheerleaders participating was incorrect because the numbers in the study came from the National Federation of High Schools.

"It says there were 95,000 cheerleaders in high school," he said. "There are 20,000 high schools, so clearly that's a low number. I think it's closer to 350,000 to even 500,000."

The NCAA does not currently recognize cheerleading as an official sport, and Lord doesn't believe being recognized as a sport would do it any favors.

He said the problem with it being recognized as a sport is that certain requirements, such as less contact time between coaches and cheerleaders and less training time for the cheerleaders would be enforced, in turn putting the cheerleaders at further risk.

Lord said the best way to avoid injury, though, is for cheerleaders to

stay within their physical limits.

"The biggest safety concern is making sure the athletes aren't performing skills they're not ready to perform," he said. "That's the No. 1 reason for injuries, someone attempting a skill that they're not ready to attempt."

Susan Loomis, a spokeswoman for the National Federation of State High School Associations, said one of the biggest problems with cheerleading is the lack of knowledge from the coaches.

"I would say that most cheer coaches have a minimal amount of training," she said. "Many of the people who are cheerleading coaches really don't even understand what coaching is all about."

SIU head cheerleading coach Neva Corn is not only safety certified by AACCA, she is also qualified to teach the cheerleading course. She took the course in the early '90s when AACCA first began and received her certificate to teach.

Loomis said she doesn't believe cheerleading is more dangerous than

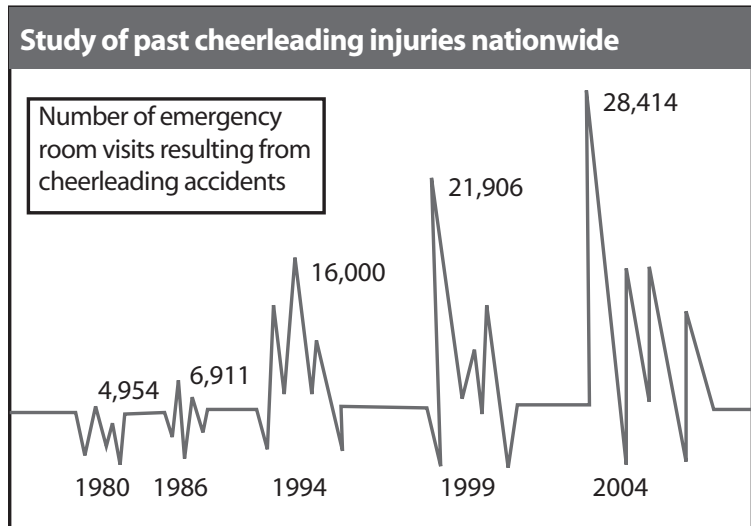
any other sport as long as coaches are educated. She said cheerleading, like any other sport, has its risks. As long as participants understand the rules and don't do anything foolish, it's no more dangerous than any other sport, she said.

Corn does not believe additional rules should be put in place to protect cheerleaders.

"I think that the rules that have been put in place for college cheerleading, it's enough," she said. "It's really restricted the college level. I really think that we're going to start losing college cheerleaders because they're going to want to do some more difficult stunts."

Corn said the team takes every safety precaution necessary to avoid injuries and said they use mats and don't tumble without them. She said even with the use of mats, injuries will happen. She said they follow every regulation put in place by the NCAA and AACCA.

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A youth baseball league recently banned a 9-year-old boy from pitching in its league because he was throwing too fast. The right-handed kid registered a 40 mph fastball, prompting opposing coaches and parents to endorse the banishment. Does this send the wrong message to children?




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Forget sending the wrong message to children. How about sending the wrong message to anyone who has ever played any sport at any time? Too good? I can't believe this is an actual reason to dump a kid. It would be one thing if he were drilling people right and left, but he didn't hit anyone. As time passes and the media get ahold of this, I think the kid will be allowed back into the league.



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Not mentioned in this is the opposing team quitting when the 9-year-old was sent back out there. So it does send a message: If at first you don't succeed, quit. If the league won't let the kid pitch, I know 30 Major League Baseball teams looking for a quality arm down the stretch.



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This is probably one of the most ridiculous things I have ever heard in my life. They are telling this 9-year-old boy he can't play a game he loves. He should be encouraged to better himself in a sport he's good at, not told he can't play because the other kids in the league can't handle his fastball.

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BASKETBALL

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Sophomore forward Carlton Fay, who is expected to contribute significantly to this season's offense, said the trip also adds a sense of camaraderie within the team.

Fay, who stayed in Carbondale throughout the summer, said three wins from the trip would be successful but added if the team played hard and came together as a unit,

the trip would be worthwhile.

"That is one thing about this team is that we are real close," Fay said. "Spending an extra 10 days together is only going to help us out. With all the young guys learning the system, we should get into the swing of things real good."

Lowery said he will not scout either of SIU's opponents for the trip but did say film afterward should prove itself useful.

"You can't even get film on foreign teams, so you just go in there

and see how they play you, which is actually better for the new guys to see how they respond," Lowery said. "We can go into film then and see how they did with each situation and say 'This is what we do when this situation happens,' or 'You did this during that situation, and we don't usually do that.' So it's good."

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Cheerleading tops the injury list

Recent study names it the most dangerous sport

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A recent study conducted by Dr. Frederick O. Mueller for the National Center for Catastrophic Sport Injury Research shows that cheerleading is the most dangerous sport for female athletes at the college or high school level.

The study shows from 1982 through 2007, one fatal injury, five non-fatal injuries, and 19 serious injuries have occurred at the collegiate level.

Jim Lord, the executive director for American Association of Cheerleading Coaches and Administrators, believes that by adding new rules, the number of cheerleading injuries will be reduced. He said all NCAA coaches must now be safety certified by AACCA. Additionally, certain stunts, such as half high pyramids, basket tosses, inverted stunts and twisting tumbling skills, are no longer allowed on the court, but can be performed on grass, real or artificial, or on mats.

SIU is no stranger to cheerleading accidents.

Former Saluki cheerleader Kristi Yamaoka fell about 15 feet off a human pyramid onto her head in March 2006 during a men's basketball game at the Missouri Valley Conference tournament in St. Louis.

Yamaoka made national news as she continued to do the hand motions to the school's fight song despite being carried off on a stretcher.

The incident sparked a national frenzy into the health risks involved with cheerleading.

Saluki co-captain Danielle Farley said the rules can sometimes be frustrating for cheerleaders.

"A lot of us get kind of flustered because we're able to do a lot better skills during the football season than basketball," she said.

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Taylor Whitley twirls to a safe catch during team practice Tuesday in Davies Gym.
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MEN'S BASKETBALL

Lowery cashes in on NCAA allowance

Canada trip allows for 10 extra practices

Brian Feldt
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With a rather large number of newcomers on the SIU men's basketball roster this season, head coach Chris Lowery is looking for any extra practices he can find.

Thanks to some lucky timing and an NCAA rule that allows a team 10 extra practices once every four years, Lowery is cashing in on the opportunity.

The NCAA allows teams to make one foreign trip once every four years. And in addition to the preseason trip, the stipulation allows for up to 10 extra practices before regular practices begin Oct. 17.

Lowery said the extra practices could be monumental for a team that boasts seven newcomers, especially considering the fact that most teams are not allowed to practice at this time.

"We haven't had this many newcomers in a very long time," Lowery said. "Doing this trip is paramount because we (can bring the newcomers along slowly). We are going to bring them along as slow as we can because we have these ten days."

The Salukis will travel to Windsor, Canada, to play in three preseason exhibitions this weekend. SIU will play the University of Windsor at 7 p.m. Friday and again at 11 a.m. Sept. 1. In between, the Salukis will also play the University of Western Ontario on Aug. 31. None of the games will be broadcast on radio or television.

Lowery said while timing the once-every-

four-years trip couldn't be strategically developed, it did coincide nicely with the need for extra practices.

"Four years ago we didn't know we would have seven new guys so I don't think you can strategically plan like that," he said. "But I think when the trip is available to you, you can be smart about it. We could have used this last year but we felt like we were old enough to not do it. And I'm glad we didn't because we needed it this year."

SIU began practicing the same week classes resumed. Media availability was closed until Tuesday, a restriction Lowery put in place to limit the distractions on the newcomers.

Senior guard Bryan Mullins said the extra practices should make a huge impact on the team's success this season considering the amount of players that must learn a new system.

Mullins, now the de facto leader on the team with the departures of Matt Shaw and Randal Falker, said he had already noticed a difference in the team's level of intensity between summer training and the extra practices.

"These (practices) are very important," he said. "I can already see a difference in just the one week of practice that we've had. If we didn't have this, we would have to start in October. It will be a huge help for us down the road."

Lowery said the purpose of the trip is not necessarily the games — although the playing time will be distributed evenly to evaluate each player — rather, the added practice time.

He said since he can't watch the team during the summer, it gives him extra time to work with the team before official practices begin.

"We have a system in place and these ten



Freshman Nick Evans dunks during practice Tuesday at the SIU Arena. The Salukis will travel this weekend to Windsor, Canada to play the University of Windsor and Western Ontario.

days have been used for that," Lowery said. "We can actually slow down and walk it through with them and explain things as opposed to Oct. 17, when things have to be at a much quicker pace."

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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Salukis announce schedule

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The SIU women's basketball team announced its schedule for the 2008-09 season Tuesday.

The schedule features seven out-of-conference match-ups and is highlighted by games against Midwest rivals and a trip to the Bahama Islands.

SIU will begin its season with two tough home games against Saint Louis and Arkansas State, then doesn't return home for more than a month because its non-conference schedule calls for five consecutive road games.

"Our non-conference season is really one that we've worked on to get a balance between home and away contests," said Dana Eikenberg, women's head basketball coach.

The Salukis' non-conference schedule allows the team to renew some of its regional rivalries. SIU opens the regular season Nov. 14 against Saint Louis, which defeated the Salukis, 80-73, at the SIU Arena two seasons ago.

The schedule also includes a pair of December trips to Chicago to face DePaul University, Dec. 5, and Chicago State, Dec. 16. Eikenberg said playing in the Chicagoland area is important, as to identify it as a place where SIU can expand its recruiting ties.

"When I got here, they (recruits) were a little further west," Eikenberg said. "Now they've migrated a little bit north and south."

The match-up against DePaul will put Eikenberg against DePaul coaching icon Doug Bruno, who will enter his 23rd season as the head coach of the Blue Demons. Bruno has notched 387 wins since 1988 and constantly has his teams among the top 25 in the country. Eikenberg said she would be shocked if Bruno's bunch is not in the preseason top 25.

But the highlight of the Salukis' season might be the team's trip to the Bahamas to participate in the Junkanoo Jam Tournament Nov. 28-29. SIU opens the tournament against Southeastern Conference powerhouse the University of Florida, and will follow up against either Hofstra University or Arizona State.

Eikenberg said the Junkanoo Jam is an established and prestigious tournament that will allow the team to play high profile teams.

"I think Florida is one of those teams that is looking to take the next step in the (Southeastern Conference)," she said. "I think we could be one of those teams that they may not pay attention to and we could sneak it away from them."

The tournament also allows for the team to gain experience playing on a neutral site. Eikenberg said playing in a neutral site should help prepare the team for a potential match-up in the Missouri Valley Conference tournament, which takes place at the Family Arena in St. Charles, Mo.

"Florida is going to be big, strong and aggressive, that is just what you get when playing against the SEC, but we will have nothing to lose in that tournament," Eikenberg said. "Anyway you cut it, all of those teams are playoff teams and it should be a great challenge for us."

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